HONGKONG, FRIDAY, MAY 11, 1877.

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PPICE, \$24 PER ANNUM.

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON :- F. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET, 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GOTCH, Ludgate ITHE Circus, E. C. BATES, HENDY & Co., 4, Old Jewry, E.C. SAMUEL DEACON & & Co. to sell by Public Auction, on Co., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street. NEW YORK :-- ANDREW WIND, 133, Nas-

zau Street. AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW bourne and Sydney.

generally :- BEAM & BLACK, San Fran-

CHINA: - Swatow, Quelch & Campbell, Amoy, WILSON, NICHOLLS & Co. Foodhow, Hedge & Co. Shanghai. LAME, CRAWFORD & Co., and KELLY & WALSH. Manila, C. HRINSERN & Co. Macao, L. A. DA GRAQA.

Bank.

HONGKONG & BHANGHAI BANK. ING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, ... 5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND,..... 500,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS Chairman-H. Hoppius, Esq. Deputy Chairman-F. D. Sassoon, Esq. E. R. BELILIOS, Esq. | WILHELM REINERS, W. H. FORBES, Esq. Hon. W. KESWICK. | ED. TOBIN, Esq. A. Molves, Enq.

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HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent, per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits :-For 3 months, 2 per cent, por annum. per cent, ,, 12 5 per cent.

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED. Oredita granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation, No, 1, Queen's Road Bast.

Hongkong, March 29, 1876.

Notices of Firms

NOTICE. have This Day Opened a Branch of our Firm at Amoy. Mr F. F. ELWELL will Act as our AGENT at that

RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, May 1, 1877.

NOTICE.

TATE have This Day Opened a Branch of our Firm at SHANGHAL Mr Carl Kress has been admitted Partner from This Date.

MELCHERS & Co. Hongkong, April 12, 1877.

NOTICE.

MR. WILHELM CARL ENGEL. and Mr CONRAD MUNROE DONNER, have been admitted Partners in our Firm from the First of January, 1877.

WM. PUSTAU & Co., Hongkong, Canton, Shanghai. Hongkong, April 16, 1877.

NOTICE. HAVE This Day Established myself as SHIPPING BRUKER at this Port, under my own name.

Hongkong, April 20, 1877.

NOTICE.

TR. EDWARD BURNIE will Conduct the Business of my Office, during my Temporary Absence from the Colony. R. H. CAIRNS,

> Surveyor to Local Offices, and Lloyds Register of Shipping.

W. H. SIEGFRIED.

2. Club Chambers, Houghong, March 17, 1877.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

N and after the 16th day of November, 1876, and until further notice, the BUSINESS of the above-named DISPEN BARY will be carried on by the Undersigned.

WM. CRUICKSHANK, Manager. Honghoug, November 21, 1676.

Auctions.

Undersigned have received instructions from Messrs Melchers

PUBLIC AUCTION.

SATURDAY,

ZEALAND :- GORDON & GOTCH, Mel- Bill of Sale dated the 18th day of December, 1874, given by Thomas Thorn-SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports TON ANTHONY, and CARL HEINRICH EIBERT SEIMUND, lately carrying on Business in this Colony, as Shipchandlers and Storekeepers, under the Style or Firm of Broadbear, Anthony & Co.,-All the STOCK-IN-TRADE, FUR-NITURE, and EFFECTS being in and upon the Premises No. 62, Praya Central, lately occupied by the said Firm of BROADBEAR, ANTHONY & Co.

> THE GOODWILL of the said Business. TERMS.—Cash on delivery.

LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co.,

Auctioneers. Hongkong, April 26, 1877.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Dr. DENNYS, to sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY,

the 15th May, 1877, at 2 o'clock p.m., at his Residence "Fair Lea,"-

The whole of his HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, Comprising: Handsome Rep-covered Drawing-room

Rosewood Centre Table. Gilt Framed Pier-Glasses, Engravings, Tables, Chairs, Sofas, Hearth Rugs. Sideboards Whatnots, Dining Table, Dinner, Dessert and Breakfast Sets, Glass-ware, Crockery and Plated-ware.

Double Size Teakwood Bedstead, Mahogany Cheval Glass, Chest Drawers, Wardrobes, Toilet Table, and Glass, Washstand, &c., &c. Hainan, Tonquin, and Japanese-ware.

to China and The Far East. A Patent Repeater Piano, by Schroder. A First-class 5 Oared Gig, with Oars, Awning, &c., complete, and a pair of Iron Davits with Falls, &c.

whole to be on view on and after Monday, the 14th Instant. TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall

of the hammer. J. M. ARMSTRONG,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, May 3, 1877. myl5

Intimations.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR

CHAREHOLDERS in the above Office are requested to Furnish the Undersigned with a List of their Contribution for the Year ending 31st December, 1876 in order that the distribution of the Nett Profits reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to my12 | the 31st August next, will be adjusted by the Office, and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents. Hongkong, May 1, 1877.

DENTAL\_NOTICE. T.R. STOUT intends visiting JAPAN

HOURS FOR CONSULTATION: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. No. 1, Alexandra Terrace.

Hongkong, April 4, 1877.

FRAUD!!!

A REWARD OF \$200.

TT Having come to our knowledge that some unscrupulous men have been obtaining Business from our Customers in our Name "ATICK," causing much inconvenience both to ourselves and Customers, we beg to notify the Public that in giving their orders to us, they should take care that they are liven to our proper represensel8 tative known as "ATIOK," or to persons who will exhibit our Trade Card. We also hereby offer a REWARD of \$200 to any one who shall give such information as shall lead to the prosecution and conviction of those unsurupulous men who obtain Business from our Customers by the false

assumption of Our Name.

Tailor, Corner of Wellington, and Wundham Streets. Hongkong, May 3, 1877.

Intimations.

HONGKONG HUMANE SOCIETY.

THE ADJOURNED ANNUAL MEET. ING of the MEMBERS of the above SUCIETY will be Held at the CITY HALL, on MONDAY, the 14th May, at 5 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the 19th of May next, at Noon, on the the Committee, a Statement of Accounts, Premises, under a power contained in a and to elect Officers for the ensuing Year. Members and others taking an interest in the Society are invited to attend. F. W. BARFF,

Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, May 8, 1877.

NOTICE.

URING REPAIRS of the House No 8, ARBUTHNOT ROAD, the UNITED STATES CONSULATE has been RE. MOVED, TEMPORARILY, to No. 1,

PRAYA BAST. Hongkong, May 10, 1877.

NOTICE.

LONDON & ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT INSURANCE Co.

THE BUSINESS of this COMPANY has FRESH DRUGS, OHEMICALS, This Day been Transferred to THE MARINE INSURANCE Co., of 20, OLD

BROAD STREET, LONDON. By Order of the Proprietors, · WILLIAM HUNT Secretary.

137, Leadenhall Street, LONDON. 1st January, 1877.

> THE MARINE INSURANCE Co. 20, Old Broad Street, LONDON. 1st January, 1877.

ESTABLISHED 1836. CAPITAL, .....£1,000,000 STERLING. RESERVE FUND, ....£ 340,000

TATITH Reference to the foregoing Advertisement THE MARINE INSUR-ANCE Co. has This Day taken over the Business of the LONDON & ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT Co., and has Appoint-A Collection of Books, many relating ed Mr A. McIver as its AGENT in Hong-

> By Order of the Board of Directors, ROBERT J. LODGE, Manager.

Catalogues will be issued, and the THE Undersigned is prepared to Accept Risks and issue Policies on behalf of the MARINE INSURANCE Co. by any First Class A. MoIVER,

Agent of the Marine Insurance Co. of London. Hongkong, February 16, 1877.

> AFONG. PHOTOGRAPHER.

by appointment, to H. E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY, incomparable superiority.

GOVERNOR OF HONGRONG: and to H. I. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS

OF RUSSIA, Wyndham Street, formerly ATHLETIC CLUB, TTAS on hand the Largest and Best

collection of Views of China, Pho- to their resources as a cool and refreshing tographic Albums, Frames, Cases, &c., of assorted sizes. Ex S. S. Radnorshire a supply of very handsome Easel Albums of Russia and Velvet Covers, assorted sizes. Illuminated Albums for Portraits. Tobacco Pouches, in Shape of Skulls, Rats, &c., and a nice choice of Gilt Mountings for Frames, &c. Hongkong, March 28, 1877.

NOTICE.

TATE, the Undersigned, beg to inform the Public of Hongkong and Kowloon that the Charter of our Steam-launch CUM SING (plying between Peddar's Wharf and Taim-sa-choi), by Mr Buxoo, will expire on shortly, and would be glad if those the 80th Instant, after which date the said who wish to Consult him professionally Launch will ply on the same route on our medicines."—Brit. Med. Jour.

would make an appointment for an Early own account; having no connection what. ever with the late Charterer. The Fare will be as usual until further

> WING KEE & Co.. Praya Central. Hongkong, April 80, 1877.

for sale.

FOR SALE. OUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s Celebrated Brands of WINES and SPIRITS.

ct viqua SIRMSSEN & Co. Hongkong, June 22, 1876.

FOR SALE.

in Cases of One Dozen Bottles, One Dozen Tübingen. Glass Barrels, and Two Dozen Flasks. Apply to P. B. CAMA,

7, Hollywood Road.

For Sale.

NEW BOOKS. JUST OPENED AND FOR SALE.

TOVELS by Popular Authors. WORKS of Reference. EDUCATIONAL WORKS. SCHOOL BOOKS. Presentation BOOKS richly illustrated. SCHOOL PRIZE BOOKS.

Children's TOY BOOKS, &c., &c. LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co. Hongkong, May 10, 1877.

FOR SALE.

TTENRIOT & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE. Carte Blanche: "Dry." TH. ROEDERER & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE, Carte Blanche.

JOHN DURAND & Co.'s CLARETS and WHITE WINES. STARTUP & KENTISH'S PORTS and SHERRIES. Moullon & Co.'s COGNACS, 1, 2, 3 Stars. BLANCHY FRERES & CO.'s COGNACS.

JUSTUS LEMBKE & Co. Hongkong, April 9, 1877.

JUST RECEIVED.

PATENT MEDICINES. MYCOS.—The increasing demand for this excellent Toilet Requisite, has induced the Undersigned, to make arrange-

ments with the Proprietors to send on a regular supply.

LIME JUICE.—Government Stamped, the Undersigned is prepared to supply this Article in retail or wholesale quantities.

The Advertiser solicits a trial order for his Erated Waters, which he feels convinced will give satisfaction both as to price and quality.

W. BALL, Proprietor, China Dispensary. Hongkong, May 9, 1877.

**APOLLINARIS** NATURAL MINERAL WATER.

POLLINARIS WATER .- "It is, in A our opinion, superior for table purposes to any other mineral water with which we are acquainted. It is strongly effervescent, and forms an exceedingly pleasant and refreshing beverage, either alone or incombination with wine; and it is not, we are informed by an eminent medical friend, liable to that charge which has been so frequently brought against sods and other waters-that they have a depressing effect upon the system. On the contrary, medical testimony is unanimous in favour of the high therapeutic qualities of Apolinaris

Water."-Civil Service Review. APOLLINARIS WATER IS CERTAINLY THE QUEEN OF TABLE WATER. It is softer and more refreshing than its only rival Seltzer Water (Nassau Seltzer Brunnen), and is more pleasant to the palate. Over all manufactured Aerated Waters it has an

"APOLLINARIS WATER is, moreover, a water of great organic purity, another highly important desideratum, in which artificial Aerated Waters often dangerously fail. Its place seems, therefore, marked as the favoured beverage of the favoured classes who can select their drinking water. Physicians will find it a valuable addition drink, antacid, and useful in promoting digestion and gastric irritation. Such water is the sworn enemy of gout, rheumatism, and their congeners."-London Medi-

cal Record. APOLLINARIS WATER .- Dr. HER-MANN WEBER, F.R.C.P., writes :- "Having largely used it during the last seven years, I have found it of great value as an article of diet in gouty dispositions, in Plithic acid disthesis, in tendency to gallstones, in some forms of catarrh of the bladder, and in chronic catarrh of the respiratory organs; in the latter, either heated by itself or mixed with bot milk or To many persons the Apollinaris forms an agreeable and uneful addition to

PRICES. CARE OF 50 QUARTS (STONE BOTTLES) \$10 CASES,, 8 DOE. SODAWATER BOTTLES \$15

my80 N.B.—Stone Quart = 3 Sodawater Bottles. ,, Pint =11 \$2 Allowed for the Sodawater Bottles, if Returned.

> GEO. SMITH & Co., Agents for China and Japan. NORTON & Co.,

Agents in Hongkong.

May 9, 1877. NOW READY.

CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT. Part L. SMALL Invoice of O. Bonnevialte & A to K, with Introduction. Royal Svo., Co,'s "Prince of Wales" BRANDY, pp. 202. By EBNEST JOHN EITEL, Ph.D.

> Price! Two Doutabs and a Hatr. To be had from Mesars Lane, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Mossra KELLY & Walsh, Shanghai. Hongkong, Yebruary 8, 1877.

For Sale.

FOR SALE, THE IRON SCREW STEAMER "ALBAY."

THE above Steamer was Built in Glasgow in 1872 by Messrs Dobbie & Co., under special survey of LLoyds', and Her MACHINERY AND BOILER were made by Messrs James Howden & Co., under special inspection. She was constructed to carry a large Cargo on a light draft of water and is well adapted for the Philippine, China, or Japan trade. She underwent general Repairs in 1875, when New SAILS, RIGGING, and a complete outfit were supplied by the Hongkong AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, and in March of the present year her Engines and Boiler

were thoroughly overhauled. DIMENSIONS.-Length between Perpendiculars, 170 feet. Beam, 26 feet-3 inches Dopth of Hold from Ceiling to Main Deck. 9 feet 5 inches. Height from Main Dack to under side of Awning Deck, 7 feet 41

GROSS TONNAGE. - 550 Tons. jy9 | CLASS.—Built to Class 100 A at Lloyds.

> Rig.—Brig Rigged. CARGO CAPACITY. -- About 9,000 piculs, or 625 tons Measurement (40 feet.) DRAFT.-Light 9 feet : Loaded 121 feet. Speed.-Eight knots on consumption of 81

to 9 tons of coals per 24 hours. BUNKER CAPACITY.—75 tons coals. CABIN. - Under Awning Deck aft; saloon, pantry and five state rooms, with acconmodation for 12 first-class passengers.

MACHINERY.

ENGINE.—A pair of Howden's patent High and Low pressure Engines of 90 Horse Power nominal; High Pressure Cylinder 25 inches, and Low Pressure Cylinder 45 inches in diameter; Stroke 30 inches. PROFELLER.—Bessemer Steel of 4 Blades,

with One Spare Set of Blades. WINCH.—One Steam Winch with Donkey Boiler on Deck. Boiler.—One Horizontal Tubular Boiler

11 feet diameter, with 3 Furnaces, tested for a working pressure of 60 pounds. MORRIS & RAY.

Hongkong, March 29, 1877.

FOR SALE.

MARINE ENGINE of 20 Horse Power Nominal, High and Low Pressure, with Extra SURFACE CONDENSER and Tubulan Boiler. Consumption, Tons per 24 Hours.

The Engine is quite new; was manufactured by Messrs Matthew Paul & Co., Dumbarton, and is now deposited in the Godown of the late firm of Russell & Sturgls, Manila. Particulars may be obtained on applica-

MORRIS & RAY. Hongkong, March 29, 1877.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW The Steamship Capt. WESTOBY, will be despatched on SATURDAY the 12th Instant, at Noon, instead of as

previously advertised. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, May 10, 1877.

FOR SAIGON. The German Steamer "FERONIA," Captain SCHULTZ, will be despatched for the above Port on TUESDAY Next, the 15th Instant. For Freight and Passage, apply to

AH YON, 57, Praya West. Hongkong, May 9, 1877.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

The Company's Steamship "TIBRE." Comdt. DE GIRARD, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of the next French

H, pt POUEY. Agent, Hongkong, May 10, 1877.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

The Company's Steamship "AVA," Comdt. HERNANDEZ, will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe. H. by POUEY,

Hongkong, May 10, 1877.

Shipping.

Steamers.

Capt. MACTAVISH, will leave

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA. The Steamship "ARRATOON APOAR,"

this for the above Ports on THURSDAY Next, the 17th Instant, at Despatches will close at 2.30 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,

Agents. Hongkong, May 10, 1877. my17

FOR SHANGHAL The British Steamer Capt. Languar, shortly exload here and have quick despatch.

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, May 10, 1877.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

Sailing Vessels. FOR NEW YORK, The A 1 American Ship "THOMAS LORD," HALL, Master, will load here and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, April 26, 1877. FOR NEW YORK.

The A 1 American Ship
"NEW ERA,"
SAYER, Master, will load here
and will have quick despatch. The A 1 American Ship For Freight, apply to

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, April 27, 1877. FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Bark

Captain CARVER, will load here For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, April 20, 1877. FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A 1 American Bark "ROSETTA MoNEIL,"

Brown, Master, will load here and will have immediate despatch as above. For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, April 14, 1877. FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The Russian Bark "RURIK," BURGELAND, Master, will have quick despatch as above.

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, April 5, 1877. FOR LONDON. The A 1 British Ship

"LALLA ROOKH." HENDER, Master, will lead here. and have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, April 28, 1877.

Hongkong, April 20, 1877.

Hongkong, May 10, 1877.

For Freight, apply to

FOR LONDON. The A 1 British Clipper Ship MEARNS, Master, will load here For Freight, apply to

FOR MELBOURNE & SYDNEY. The A 1 British Barque " NOVELTY." Captain Colliver, having the greater portion of her Cargo

MEYER & Co.

will have quick despatch as For Freight or Passage, apply to ROZARIO & Co.

FOR SYDNEY & MELBOURNE. Captain Snow, having most of The A 1 American Barque

quick despatch as above. For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, May 10, 1877.

FOR LONDON. The A 1 Clipper Ship GARRIOCE, Master, will have For Freight, apply to WM. PUSTAU & Co.

Agente.

Hongkong, April 11, 1877.

## Notices to Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S. S. GWALIOR.

ONSIGNEES of Cargo by the abovenamed Vessel, from Bombay and Intermediate Ports, and in connection with the KHEDIVE and GWALIOR from London, and NEPAUL from Calcutta, and ASSAM from Australia, are hereby notifled that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Company's Godowns, at West Point, whence delivery can

be obtained from this date. Goods not delivered by the 12th Instant will be subject to rent.

Optional Cargo for Shanghai will be forwarded on unless applied for by the Consigness before 10 a.m. To-morrow. ADAM LIND. Superintendent.

Hongkong, May 6, 1877. FROM LONDON AND PORTS OF

CALL.

TIRE S. S. Candia, having arrived, Consigness of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk and stored in the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained. Cargo remaining undelivered after the

15th Instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

Hongkong, May 8, 1877. S. S. PENGUIN, FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND

SINGAPORE. THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk by the Undersigned into their Godowns, whence and/or from the Wharf

or Boats delivery may be obtained. Opium will also be landed unless taken delivery of before Noon To-morrow. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, May 8, 1877.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

HHE Steamship Arratoon Apoar, Capt. A. B. MACTAVISH, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods. Cargo impeding her discharge will be

at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense. DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,

Hongkong, May 8, 1877. FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Glenfinlas, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk by the Undersigned and stored in their Godowns, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be sent on to Shang-

hat unless notice to the contrary is given before 2 p.m. To-day. Cargo remaining undelivered after the 15th Instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 9, 1877. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE BRITISH SHIP CARRICKS. FROM LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-

named Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods. Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Con-

signees' risk and expense. MEYER & Co. Hongkong, May 10, 1877.

# Not Responsible for Debts.

Meither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:-

Rosina, American 3-m. schooner, Capt. C. W. Hansen.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co. ROSETTA McNeil, American barque, Captain Brown.—Vogel, Hagedorn & Co. NYASSA, British ship, Captain W. S. Garriock. - Douglas Lapraik & Co. TULLOCHGORUM, British 3 m. schooner,

Captain Mason. - Wieler & Co. NELSON, British steamer, Capt. Thomas Staples. - Jardine, Matheson & Co. HANNAH LAW, British ship, Captain R. Greig. - P. & O. S. N. Co. VESTA, German barque, Captain R.

Dirks.—Melchers & Co. HANNAH & MARY, British barque, Capt. A. Smith.—Order. TEWKSTURY L. SWEAT, American barque,

Captain Wm. Grifflu.—Meyer & Co.

## To-day's Advertisements.



STEAM FOR Sibrapiro, Pousag, Point de Galle, Aden, Sass, Malta, Brindisi, Ancona, Vonice, Mediterranean Ports, Southampton and London;

Bombay. Madras and Calcutta.

FITHE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steam-ship ZAMBESI, Captain Symons, will leave this on SATURDAY, the 19th May, at 2.50 p. st. whon the Mail is finally closed. Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to A. LIND, Superintendent. Hongkong, May 11, 1877.

## To-day's Advertisements.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (On account of the concerned.) TO-MORROW,

the 12th Instant, 1877, at Noon,-At the Godowns of Messis Cowasjee, PALLANJEE & Co., Five bales Bombay COTTON YARN.

No. 20, 400 hs. Each. Ex S. S. "Gwalier." (More or less damaged by sea water.) TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery

in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. H. N. MODY, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, May 11, 1877.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

The Steamship "VENICE." Capt. RHODE, will leave for the above Ports on THURS-DAY, the 17th Instant, at 3 p.m. Despatches will close at 2.30 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, May 11, 1877.

### SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

May 11, Madura, British barque, 970, Thomas Stanton, Cardiff Nov. 28, Coal .-MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. May 11, Onward, British schooner, 210, Morton, Newchwang April 24, Beans. --

Wieler & Co. May 11, Norna, British steamer, 606 A. G. Walker, Swatow May 10, General. -Kwor Acheong.

DEPARTURES. May 11, Mary Whitridge, for Manila. 11. Picciola, for Quinhon.

11, Glenfinlas, for Shanghai. \* OLEARED.

Teresa, for Manila. Charles Maureau, for Newchwang.

Salvadora, for Amoy.

PASSENGERS. Per Norna, from Swatow, 90 Chinese,

and 1 European deck. SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Norna reports: Unsteady winds with thick nasty weather. H.M.S. Hornet left on the morning of the 10th for Amoy.

#### POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS. MAILS will close:—

For SWATOW, AMOY, & FOOCHOW .-Per NAMOA, at 11.30 a.m., on Saturday, the 12th inst., instead of as previously notified.

Per ZAMBOANGA, at 11.30 a.m. Toas previously notified. For HAIPHONG.-

Per Barque EVENING STAR, at 1.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 12th inst. For AMOY.-

Per ALBAY, at 5 p.m. To-morrow, the • 12th inst. For AMOY AND MANILA .-

Per SALVADORA, at 9.30 a.m., on Monday, the 14th inst., instead of as previously notified. For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS AND

CALCUTTA.— Per ARRATOON APCAR and VENICE, at 2.30 p.m., on Thursday, the 17th inst.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET .-

The French Contract Packet SINDH, will be despatched from Hongkong on SATURDAY, the 12th May, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, vid-Marseilles; to Salgon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Seychelles, Réunion, Mauritius, Suez, and Alexandria. This is the best opportunity for forwarding Correspondence to E. Africa, the Cape, St. Helena, and Ascension.

Letters may also be forwarded to INDIA by this Packet. The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c. :-Friday, May 11th .-

5 P.M., Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Saturday, May 12th. 7 A.M., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 A.M., Registry of Letters ceases. 11 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late (11.10 A.M., Letters (but Letters only)

except those to and through Australia, may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 10 cents extra postago, until 11.30 a.m., when the Pest Office Choses

Hongkong, April 28, 1877. MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet CITY OF PEKING will be despatched on Malls for Japan, San Francisco, and the United States, which will be closed es follows :--

2 r.m. Registry of Letters coases. 2.30 P.M. Post-Office dictor.

2.30 P.M. Coffeepondence for Japan or the United States only may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 12 cents extra Postage until

Correspondence inust be specially directed for this route, and if not fully prepaid will be sent by British Packet. my10 | Hongkong, May 3, 1877.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS. MAILS will close:-

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET .--The English Contract Packet ZAMBESI will be despatched with the Mails

for Europe, &c., on SATURDAY, the 19th Instant. The following will be the hours of closing the Malis, &c. :---Friday, 18th Instant.

5 P.M., Money Order Office closes. 6 P.M., Post Office closes except the NIGHT Box, which remains open all night. Saturday, 19th Instant. 7 A.M., Post Office opens for sale

of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence. 10 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late Letters. Registry of Letters ceases. 10.15 A.M., Letters may be posted with LATE FRE of 18 cents extra Postage till 11 A.M., when the Post Office CLOSES

(11.30 A.M., Letters (but Letters only, addressed to the United Kingdom Via Brindisi or to Singapore, may SATURDAY, May 19:be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage,

11.50 A.M., when the Mail is finally Hongkong, May 11, 1877.

HOME SHIPPING. The following is corrected from the latest

Shipping Intelligence.

London Papers :-DEPARTURES. Nov. 28, Western Chief, from London to

Hongkong. Dec. 4, Benclutha, from Cardiff to Hong-Dec. 17, A. E. Vidal, from Hamburg to Dec. 20, Chinaman, from London to Hong-Dec. 22, Sophie, from New York to Hong-

Dec. 23, 1no, from Greenock to Swatow. Dec. 23, John Nicholson, from New York to Shanghal. Dec. 27, Undine, from London to Shanghal, Dec. 29, Canaan, from Cardiff to Hong-

Jan. 4, C. R. Bishop, from London to Jan. 11, Windhover, from London to Jan. 12, Woodhall, from Hamburg to Hong-Jan. 12, Hope, from London to Hongkong. Jan. 16, Gryfe, from Cardiff to Hongkong. Jan. 18, Batavia, from Hamburg to Hong-

Jan. 31, Forward Ho, from London to Feb. 1, Robert Henderson, from Buryport to Hongkong.

Feb. 2, Polynesia, from Cardiff to Hong-Feb. 5, Carrizal, from Cardiff to Hongkong. Feb. 8, Daphne, from London to Hong-

Feb. 12, Leading Wind, from Antwerp to Feb. 17, Therese Behn, from Cardiff to Feb. 18, Matchless, from Cardiff to Hong-

Feb. 19, Cactus O., from Cardiff to Hong-For COOKTOWN, E. AUSTRALIA, &c. - Feb. 19, F. P. Lichfield, from Cardiff to morrow, the 12th inst., instead of Feb. 19, Malpu, from Cardiff to Hongkong. Feb. 20, Penrith, from London to Hong-

Feb. 22, Enid, from London to Hongkong. Feb. 22, Osaka, from London to Hongkong. Feb. 22, Belted Will, from London to Feb. 27, Gold Bunter, from Cardiff to

Feb. 28, City of Aberdeen, from London to The publication of this issue commenced Feb. 28, D. McB. Park, from Sunderland at 8,00 p.m. to Singapore and Hongkong. Feb. 28, Janet Ferguson, from Glasgow to Singapore and Hongkong.

March 1, Isles of the South, from Cardiff to March 1, Brown Brothers, from Cardiff to March 1, Khedive, from Antwerp to Hong-March 2, Paracca, from Cardiff to Hong-

March 3, A. S. Davis, from Cardiff to March 3, Caller Ou, from Cardiff to Shang-

March 4. Jala, from Cardiff to Hongkong. March 6, Lord Macaulay, from Cardiff to March 7, Alcestis, from Cardiff to Chefco. March 10, Sir Lancelot, from London to

Shangbai. March 13, Golden Spur, from Cardiff to imported was \$13,539, and exported March 15, Antwerp, from London to Hong-

March 15, Coldstream, from New York to March 16, Bessie Morris, from Swanzes to March 17. Scindia (str.), from London to | quarter of the previous year. March 19, Victoria, from Swanses to Hong-

March 19, C. W. Cochrane, from Liverpool March 20, Springfield, from Cardiff to quarter of 1875. In cotton goods the piculs, about one-half what it was eight March 20, Warrior, from Cardiff to Hong-March 20, George, from Cardiff to Hong-March 22, Birling (str.), from Cardiff to Hongkong. March 24, Wigton, from London to Shang-

China and Japan. March 26, May Queen, from Cardiff to Hongkong. TUESDAY, the 15th instant, with March 27, Scindis, from London to Hong. March 28, Isle of Erin, from Greenock, to

Shangkai. March 29. Commissary, from London to Hongkong. LOADING FOR CHINA AND JAPAN PORTS, At London -Sidamers via Bust Canal. Elgin. Nankin.

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Prints (str.)

Glengyle. Sailing Vessels. Dike of Abercorff. Cores. Abbey Cowper. Melbrek. Ferdinand Bruitim Kalsow. Kate Carrile. James Shepherd, At Liverpool.

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General Memoranda. MONDAY, May 14:-

.5 p.m. - Adjourned Meeting of the Hongkong Humane Society at City Tuesday, May 15:-

2 p.m.—Sale of Household Furniture, at Dr Dennys' residence, Fair Lea. 3 p.m.—American Mail leaves for Yoko-hama and San Francisco.

Goods per Candia undelivered after this date subject to rent. Goods per Glenfinlas undellvered after this date subject to rent. Feronia leaves for Saigon.

THURSDAY, May 17:--

3 p.m.—Arratoon Apcar leaves for Singapore, Penang and Calcutta. 3 p.m.-Venice leaves for Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.

FRIDAY, May 18:-Noon. -General Weekly Sale by Messre Lane, Crawford & Co.

Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe. Noon.—Sale of Stock-in-trade of the firm of Broadbear, Anthony & Co.

FRIDAY, June 1:-

Francisco.

MEMOS, FOR TO-MORROW. Shipping.

Noon.-French Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe. Noon. - Namoa leaves for Coast Ports.

Goods per Gwalior undelivered after this date subject to rent.

Auction. Noon.—Sale of Cotton Yarn, at Mesars Cowasjee, Pallanjee & Co.'s Godowns

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THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, MAY 11, 1877.

THE Customs Gazette for the last quarter | into the interior I cannot tell, -no doubt in 1876, published by order of the In- less than pays likin at Foochow. Meanspector General, places us in possession while, the importation of Opium at of the usual statistics respecting the trade | Swatow and Ningpo, from which, at the Treaty Ports. We find that at owing to this heavy taxation, entries during the quarter amounted to large, and has been increasing. four from Haiphong, and one from would be made for Fukien were the and English and American drills 2,227 pieces. The port having been opened since 1875 the returns cannot be com-

At Canton, the total entries, including 156 river steamers, reached 209, amounting to 103,793 tons, against 237 vessels and 128,620 tons in the corresponding importations amounted to 44,150, against 40,756 in 1875 and 38,851 in 1873 in T-Cloths, 20,195, against 14,981 in 1875. No less than 516 foreign and 92,077 native passengers were landed at Canton during the quarter. The total exportations of black tea amounted to 29,422 piculs, and green 434 piculs. The March 28, Teviot (str.), from London to total collection of duties reached Tis. 263,659, against Tls. 277,847 in cor responding quarter in 1875, and Tls. 264,798 in 1874.

> At Swatow, 164 vessels of 97,745 tons ed to 59,350 pieces, against 37,447 in the less increase. The total collection of of offence. corresponding quarter of the previous year; and T-cloths 38,142, against against Tls. 868,225 in the corresponding \$1. 30.024 in 1875. There was a great in quarter of the previous year, crease in the quantity of sugar exported, the quantity in 1876 being 118,552 piculs, against 12,837 in 1875, and a far less quantity in any previous year, the exportations of this article in 1874 only reaching 2,208 piculs and in 1873 about port has made marked progress during be issued noxt week

the last eight or ten years. The total collection of revenue for the quarter was Tls. 190,807, against Tls. 166,969 in 1875. In his annual report on the trade of the place the Commissioner makes some interesting remarks on the exportation of human hair from the port. "The hair exported," he says, "is the combings collected in the barbers' shops. The hair goes exclusively to Europe, I understand, and, as there was no specific record of it in our returns before the year 1873, I infer that the trade in it began about that time. In that year and in 1874 381 piculs, valued at Hk. Tls. 6,521; and in 1875 1,000 piculs. equal to 60 tons, valued at Hk. Tls. 16,949, were exported. I take it for and it is strange enough that a queer uncertain fashion like this in Europe should have permanence and force sufficient to create a demand and a supply in the interior of China; but it is worth while to reflect on the marvellous industry and thrift of a people which in a brief time turns to profit the seemingly valueless sweeping of barbers' shops!" At Amoy, the number of vessels en-3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s tered was 175 of 90,952 tons, against Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San 176 of 95,580 tons in the corresponding

> 38,001 in the previous year; T-cloths | turned a verdict to that effect. 9,454, against 17,069, and drills 3,716, against 4,101. The total revenue collected was Tls. 181,338, against 227,142 in the previous year, the trade of the port thus showing a considerable falling off for the quarter. One noteworthy feature in the trade of this port is the deficiency in the value of exports as compared with imports. This deficiency during the year 1875 amounted

to no less than Tls. 2,288,966, for which no satisfactory explanation is forthcoming. It is not balanced by the amount of treasure exported, for more treasure by half a million taels was imported than exported. At Foochow, the entries of vessels were 67, aggregating 46,761 tons, against 64, aggregating 48,639 tons in the corresponding quarter of 1875. The imports of shirtings reached 12,253 pieces, against 16,895 in last year, while the import of T-Cloths was 31,134, against 33,485 and of drills 10,037, against 12,211 in the corresponding quarter. The total export of tea was 157,801 piculs, against 212,146 last year. The total revenue collection amounted to Tls. 408,884, against Tls. 542,335 in 1875. The Commissioner makes the following important remarks in his annual report :-- "The continuous falling off in the annual importation of Opium, the published Reports of Trade. likin and customs duty at this port amount to over Hk. Tls. 120 a chest, or such a man may make his living if he can succeed in smuggling a single ball of Opium a month. No wonder, then, that the entire population of certain large villages near the mouth of the Min engage in smuggling as their normal occupation. Armed bands escort contraband Opium into the interior in defiance of the likin officers, and from time to time affrays take place, resulting even in loss of life. The Foreign Customs loses duty on not less, probably, than three hundred chests a year, despite our utmost vigilance; and the likin Taotai secures his tax (not leviable till after the Opium has passed the Customs and been landed) on even 600 chests less than pass through this office. How much Opium pays the further inland tax on its way

March 4. Nimbus, from Cardiff to Hong- the newly-opened port of Kiungchow the inland districts are supplied, is very 12, with a total tonnage of 6,699. The the other hand, Amoy remains in the whole of these vessels were steamers. same crippled state as Foothow. A Seven of them were from Hongkong, much larger likin and customs collection Shanghai. The amount of treasure inland and local likin tariffs liberally for settlement. reduced. The consuming capacity of \$37,579. The importations of shirtings | this province is indicated by the fact that, smounted to 7,325 pieces, T-Cloths 9,630 in 1859 and 1860, prior to the fixing of the taxes at their present rate, the importation of Opium at Foochow alone was fully 8,000 chests, while Chinchew pared with any for the corresponding and Amoy were separately supplied. By 1866, the taxes having been imposed, the import through this port had fallen to 6,000 piculs. Since then it has declined regularly, excepting in 1872, until in 1874 it had fallen to 8,200

> At Shanghai, the number of vessels entered was 482, aggregating 841,714 tons, against 506 aggregating 316,387 tons in the corresponding quarter of 1875. The imports of shirtings reached 1.928,354 pieces, against 899,727 in the quarter of 1875; and T.Cloths 764,832, import trade at Shanghai, unlike that at most of the other ports, seems to have revenue amounted to Tls. 957,125,

years previously."

WE hear that H. E. and Mrs Pope Hennessy intend to have an "At Home" with dancing, to celebrate Her Majesty's Birthdouble that quantity. The trade at this day, and that the invitations are likely to

### LOCAL AND GENERAL

WE are requested to explain that the late delivery of the mail letters per Albay this morning (the loose correspondence by that vessel having been delivered yesterday evening) was owing to the mail having been taken, by mistake, to the Spanish Consulate instead of the Post Office.

WE understand that H. M. S. Tamar will leave for home to-morrow week. The 141 picula, valued at Hk. Tls. 2,904; Sylvia proceeds to Japan on Thursday, to resume her surveying operations, and will be away probably about two years. The Modeste goes North, and the Charybdis to granted that the uses to which this hair | Singapore. Several of the Officers arrive is put is to supply materials for chignons, by the Tamar served on board the Aler. and Discovery during the last Arctic Ex-

An Inquest was held this afternoon on the body of one Charles Melton, a fireman on board the S. S. Candia. The deceased was picked up by the Police in a dying state and was sent to Hospital, where he died. The medical evidence tended to show that: he died from natural causes; and the Jury, quarter of 1875. The imports of shirt. composed of Messrs Henry Crawford, J. ings amounted to 30,525 pieces, against R. MacDonald and J. M. D'Almeida. re-

In the Supreme Court to day, the case of the disputed right of way was continued. In the course of the discussion, his Lordship said he had had much experience in questions of right of way, and in one instance he was the sufferer to the extent of £1,000. Before the evidence for the defence was called, the Chief Justice suggested an amicable settlement between the litigants. He thought the defendant might allow the plaintiff to put up a flight of steps to Ladder Street. The Attorney General replied that the objection was that if the access was given, the basement floors would be let to coolies who would become a nuisance, to the detriment of the property in front. The Chief Justice said he saw difficulties to both parties. Mr Francis observed that the law relating to the lodging of coolies was strong enough to put down any such nuisance. The Attorney General said the law referring to coolies was very imperfect in this Colony, and in fact he had it now under his consideration, the framing of cortain rules referring to the lodging of coolies. The Chief Justice obas passed through this office, has been served that he would advise the Attorney frequently remarked and explained in General to inspect the place in question before he framed any rules regarding coolie houses. If after the inspection of the three taels for a single ball. This is the premises he still retained his sense of smell, equivalent of the ordinary monthly he could then frame, the regulations. His wages of a Chinese labourer; so that Lordship had been to see the place, but he had not lost his sense of smell yet. The Hon. G. Phillippe observed that it was not for the Attorney General to inspect such places, because he would not be recompensed for so doing. There were inspectors who would find out and give him information. After further discussion, his Lordship suggested the following terms of settlement, viz. the plaintiff should be allowed to put up some steps to Ladder Street, the same as those existing at the Tank Lane end, failing that the defendant was to have the option of leasing all the basement floors at \$4 a month each for twenty years. The Attorney General said he would consult his client on the terms, and in reply to an observation by Mr Francis, his Lordship remarked that Mr Francis' client had the best of the bargain, if the terms were agreed to. Mr Francis said some of the basement floors had been let for \$5 and \$6 a month. The Chief Justice said these were scandalous prices for rents, and he recommended that the terms should be accepted by the defendant. The case was finally adjourned

> IT is rumoured that Sir Harry Ord has been appointed to succeed Sir Hercules Robinson, whose term of office expires this year, as Governor of New South Wales. This is promotion for Sir Harry, at last, the appointment being worth £7,000 per annum. In a late Sydney paper, it is stated that a petition has been forwarded to the Queen from New South Wales praying that Sir Hercules Robinson's tenure of office might be extended. But we hear that Lord Carnaryon has selected Sir Hercules Rabinson to succeed Lord Dufferin as Governor General of Canada.

> > Police Intelligence. (Before the Hon. C. May.) May 11, 1877.

CUTTING TREES. Yuen Asam, a fisherman, was pharged against 640,620. Drills show a corres- with cutting trees at Sowkewan. Re had ponding increase, and altogether the altogether about 80 lbs. of fir trees freshly cut.-The defendant said the Constable cut the branches himself and brought this charge falsely. The defendant was identibeen exceedingly flourishing at the close fled as having been fined before for a were entered, against 176 of 103,366 tons of last year. Nearly all the staple ex- similar offence. The Magistrate ordered in 1875. The Shirtings imported amount ports from the port show a greater or him to be flogged ten strokes at the scene The apprehending Constable was awarded

> The Colonial Surgeon having reported later on that the defendant was unfit for flogging, the Magistrate amended his former decision by ordering the defendant to pay a fine of \$10 or one month's hard labour.

GAMBLING. Heting Achan and four others were brought up on a warrant for having carried on public gembling in No. 22, Mast Street.

Taipingshan. After evidence was taken. proving gambling, the Magistrate remanded upper deck of the steamer Ichang to the the case till to-morrow for further enquirles.

ATTEMPT TO BOB.

Lee Acheung a marine hawker, was charged by Mr Postonjee Dorabjee, a merchant at Hollywood Road, with attempting to steal clothing from the lower portion of the complainant's premises by hooking at them with a bamboo, which had an iron keep out of the way of the steamer; they which was suddenly missed had been taken. hook at one end. The defendant was sent to two months' hard labour.

ASSAULT.

Hong Akwai, an office coolie at the and came off from the steamer from boats as larceny." Harbour Master's Department, for an was kept. assault on the 10th instant. The comwent with a letter to Messra to a Chinaman and was told to wait. As passengers, being two passengers for every vessel that has left port thoroughly sound he had another letter to take to the Government Offices, he told the Chinaman that he would come back for the reply. When he returned, he asked the Chinaman several out giving the prosecution the trouble of endeavours to get at the water-nothing times, until at last he was told to go to the having the register produced, though he seems to stop them. On board a ship on back door to get the reply himself. He would say that there had been serious one occasion, some rat-holes were found, went accordingly and saw the defendant mistakes in the measurement of the when the ship got into dry dock, eaten who gave him two slaps on the face .- steamer's tonnage. She had been sur- right through to the copper, and to prevent The defendant admitted the assault, but veyed here, and she could carry a great a recurrence of the same thing, a daily urged that the defendant was insolent to many more passengers than she was allow- allowance of water was served out to them him. He could not give the words he used, ed. However, this would not form part of on the hatches on the 'tween decks, and but his manner was insolent. Fined \$1.

GERS IN RIVER STEAMER.

Captain D. Martin, of the opposition steamer Ichang on the Canton River, appeared on a summons for having entered the waters of Hongkong on the 7th instant, with more passengers on board the steamer her net registered tonnage.

was the complainant. Those who went on board with bamboos | He then shortly reviewed the evidence. and strings, I did not count as passengers when they came aboard again. with Mr Brereton that the actual number not show me the books, but said that if I but to dismiss the case. went to the purser, he might show them to | The Court rose at a few minutes past me. I went to the purser, who said he 6.30 p.m. could not shew me the books, as they were kept by the Captain. The first European I mentioned then went forward to where the Captain was, and I followed him. saw the defendant Capt. Martin, and asked

Chinese passengers from Canton belong to the delighted it is in the extreme." Thus he they will come out from their holes to take lower order of the Chinese, but not a larger began to send to some friends charming, a fond farewell of each other, and breathe portion. The fare for a Chinese passenger carefully and elegantly written letters, in their last around the fire. A sharp Yankee by the Ichang is 10 cents. Some of the River genious in their naturalness. His awaken- skipper, whose ship was infested with rats, Company's boats charge also 10 cents only. ed mind, which in some respects was once hit on a cute dodge of getting rid of A large number of Chinese always wait out restored by such a long repose, troubled them. He hauled his craft alongside side the gate on the arrival of the steamer. him by fits, and he knew not what to do British vessel loaded with cheese, and On the day in question I did not see any with it. His constitution, moreover, was caused the plank connecting the two to be persons going on board from boats. I have not yet strong enough to bear long exercise; well smeared with red herrings; the conseen a great many boats about the River and he likens the network of the fibres of sequence was that the rats migrated in a Company's steamers on arrival, but I had his brain to a spider's web; a single stub- body, attracted by the herrings and the not noticed particularly whether there were born thought lodging there shakes and cheese. No doubt the British master any boats about the Ichang. The gate of imperils the whole contexture. However, appreciated the kind attention. the wharf was not thrown open on the his genius grew in strength, and became arrival of the steamer, but when about one- conscious of its wings. He exclaimed, the third of the passengers had landed the gate day he forwarded to a friend the fable of was then opened. One-third of the passen- the "Nightingale and the Glowworm," gers generally stopped on the wharf before "Alas; what can I do with my wit? the gate was open. I have never seen have not enough to do great things with, Chinese climbing over the gate, not on this and these little things are so fugitive that, particular day at least. When the gate while a man catches at the subject, he is was thrown open, a large number of Chinese only filling his hands with smoke. I must went on board. As a rule the Chinese do with it as I do with my linnet; I keep passongers have each a bundle or a box. I him for the most part in a cage, but now do not think that so many as 100 shore and then set open the door, that he may men could have gone on board by the whick about the room a little, and then board from the 4th gang-way at which there produced the following." And it was that was no Constable stationed, but it was an fable which he sent. Throughout his letters Inconvenient passage, there being no plank and his verses at this time (1780) the most and the steamer being about two feet graceful sprightliness is manifested amidst distant from the wharf. I think very the most serious passages. We catch ourfew Chinese went on board by this gang- selves saying, What a froliceome, sprightly in and out by this gang-way. Those open to every impression, when it is not who came out by the 4th gang-way looked gloomy! How the springtime imparts like passengers. I swear that the 610 to it a slight intoxication! There is some-Chinese I counted were parsongers and not thing squirrel like in the gaiety it inspires: shore Chinese. I came to this conclusion But the great and serious sides always because I did not count the coolies, nor recur: this amiable creature has been those I had a doubt about. I excluded smitten and bruised on one side .-- " English about 180 altogether, who I did not think | Portraits," by C. A. Sainte-Beuv. were passengers. John Somerville, P. O. 35, was called.

agents.

He was in charge of a gang-way and the number of passengers he counted was 476.

By Mr Brereton :- Very few Chinese got on board from the gang-way at which I was stationed; there were two Portuguese had a curious article on the destructive gate permitted may persons to come on the ships by gnawing heles in the planking, or he was a passenger or not, but I knew they the hull to do in completing the aperture; were passengers from their looks.

out this way. There were about 80 shore men whom I did not count.

By Mr Brereton :-Foreigners came also the 148 men I saw. As a matter of custom | vessel was loading a cargo of wood, and a a great many boats came alongside the conflagration broke out in the hold. At a steamer as she came in. Several steam Naval Court held on the 5th and 6th of ferry boats come to the same wharf as the | August last, the witnesses examined were Idang. But the steam ferry boats always | almost unanimously of opinion that a candle would not go alongside the wharf unless away alight by a rat and placed between after the steamer was properly moored. I | the battens, thus causing the fire. Sailors do not know how many people got on declare that stealing a lighted candle is not board from boats on the other side, but Mr J. McCuilum, an assistant at Messrs prevent people coming on board that way. charge of these animals be true, they are Lane, Crawford & Co., was summoned by An account of those who went on board | quite capable of committing arson as well

> Inspector Grimes was called to prove the | facts which have come under own know-He handed the letter the ordinance she is allowed to carry 698 ship, and have probably caused many

> > three tons. it incidentally.

on duty in the Police boat. He saw 12 during a long voyage, the water ran short,

men leave in boats. After remarking on this being the first | had to bale the water from the tanks, says prosecution under the Ordinance, he urged | that they used to muster as regularly as the than she was allowed to carry according to that the Magistrate could not decide the men, looking out for any drops that might case on probabilities. The evidence shewed | be spilled; some of them dropped into the Mr Brereton appeared for the defence, nothing other than mere suppositions tanks, and a man was always sent down and Sergeant Grant, of the Water Police, on the part of the witnesses that there to get them out, and the rats would had been an excess of passengers, but in | run up his legs and body. When the Police Sergt. Grant, of the Water Police, order to convict the defendant, his Worship ship got to London, a number of skeletons was first examined :- On Monday the 7th | must have knowledge of the actual number | were found at the bottom of the tank, instant, I received some instructions from of passengers that were excessively carried so that the crew had the satisfaction of Inspector Grimes, and in consequence because the Ordinance, in addition to knowing that they had been drinking all thereof, I went to the wharf of the steamer a heavy penalty, provided for a fine the time a mild infusion of rats, but none Ichang and remained there till the steamer of no much for every passenger that of them noticed any particular flavour in arrived. I had with me a European Con- was excessively carried, and in order the water, nor did it do them any harm. stable No. 35, Somerville, and a boat's to put in force the first portion of No doubt, had they known what they were crow, also a Chinese Constable. The steamer the penalty, his Worship must be satisdired drinking, the imaginative faculties would came in about 3.30 p.m. I stationed P. C. fied of the actual number of passengers have been strongly exercised, the water 35 at the forward gangway with certain so excessively carried, otherwise he could would have been pronounced disgusting, instructions, remaining myself at the gang- not apportion the punishment, and in and probably there would have been a few way aft. I also stationed the Chinese order to carry out the first portion of cases of diarrhous sickness, but "where Constable No. 463 at a small gang-way the penalty he must be in a position to ignorance is bliss, 'tis folly to be wise." Not which led from the upper deck to the carry out the second portion as well. He only do these spoilers damage considerably Passengers then came ashore and submitted that his Worship was not in the hull of a ship, but their destructive from the gang-way I was stationed I such a position according to the evid- propensities are sometimes exercised aloft. counted 610 passengers. As a rule a num- ence, though it might have been suffi- A ship in Calcutta, on one occasion had her ber of coolies go on board as soon as the clent to satisfy him that there had sails furled for a fortnight; when they were ateamer arrive, or after one third the Chinese | been an excess of passengers. But this was passengers have come ashore. I tried as only a supposition, and his Worship could young, came pouring down on the deck, much as I could to prevent their going not go upon probabilities. The Police had on board on this occasion, and I took notice every means of astertaining the actual numof those that did go on board. I think there | ber of passengers in excess, but in this inwere about 250 Ohinese who had left the stance they had not taken that means to secure. steamer before any shore men went on that accurate discovery. They were defecboard. I think there were about 40 tive in their measures, and he begged his shore men who had gone on board. Worship not to decide on mere suppositions.

His Worship then observed that he agreed was also a small gaug-way, at of passengers in excess had not been ascerwhich I had no Constable stationed, and tained, and for that reason he could not many passengers passed out this way. I inflict the penalties provided by the Ordin- their hands whilst lying in their hammocks, stationed a Police boat at the other side of ance, because the one formed part of the and amuse themselves by pulling it every the steamer with instructions not to allow other, and if he was not able to inflict the time some unfortunate rat ventured into any passengers to leave that way. After all latter, he could not inflict the first, viz. a fine the passengers had left, I went on board of \$250, because the Ordinance provided for and asked a European who said he was the a fine of so much for each passenger ourried ticket collector. I asked him to shew me in excess, in addition to the \$250. The acthe books as to the number of passengers tual number of passengers in excess not from Canton. He replied that he could having been made out, he had no alternative

# WILLIAM COWPER.

him to shew me the books in which were amusement, as he made bird-cages, as he A plan which is sometimes adopted with tended flowers, as he sketched the country, great success is to smoke them out; a plat-Canton. He replied that he could not, yet always with ardour; he had veins for form of mud is made at the bottom of the having sent the books to the agents. I cach of his tastes, and when he was in one ship, on which fires are lighted composed then left the steamer. I did not go to the of them the others had to yield precedence of charcoal, chilis, and brimstone. All th for some time. He enjoyed nothing by apertures for admitting air are then stopped By Mr Brereton :- I frequently went to halves. He said, "I never received a little up, and it will be found afterwards that the the steamer wharf. A good portion of the pleasure from anything in my life; if I am rats are congregated rounds the fire dead

People might jump on shut him up again. My whisking wit has There is more difficulty of going nature, full of gracefulness, inquisitive and

#### HATS ON BOARD SHIP. (Nautical Magazine.)

The Shipping Gazette, in a recent number, belonging to the steamer who helped me. nature of rats on board ship. It states that wharf. He admitted those he chose, I so eating away the inner edes of the wood they have been known to nibble the timber | London and Paris these animals exist in Chan Achune, P. C. 463, was examined; at the waterways until the wood was so countless millions, and live, feed, and and the afternoon of the 7th inst., I was thin as to admit rain nater through it; thrive there without any other store for

wharf. I counted 148 passengers coming the knees or lining, and make a passage for to the human race, yet have their part to therefore, of uncleanliness cannot be laid themselves from one part, to another. It play in the economy of nature; they act as further states that "the crew of the barque Commodors, of Hartlepool, have made a by this gang-way and I included them in charge of incendiarism against rats. The an uncommon feat for a rat to perform there was a police boat on duty there to and if all the deeds in this line laid to the We can corroborate these statements from

registered tonnage of the steamer Ichang. | ledge. There is no doubt that rate are the Crawford & Co., and was told Her not tonnage is 1,049, and according to most destructive vermin met with on board in hull to become unseaworthy. We have Mr Brereton here observed that he seen a leaden pipe belonging to Mr Inman admitted this tonnage to be correct, with- completely gnawed through by rate in their the case at present, and he only mentioned | they used to come as regularly to drink it as if they had signed articles, and consider-EXCESSIVE CARRIAGE OF PASSEN- Tai Aon, a P.C., was called :- He was ed it their right. On another occasion, and the crew had to be put on an allowance This closed the case for the prosecution. | of a pint a day. The rate gnawed through Mr Brereton then made the defence. | the leaden pipes, and the third officer, who loosened, a perfect shower of rats, old and much to the astonishment of the men, and they had so gnawed through and left their marks on the sails that they were rendered useless. We have often heard of it's raining cats and dogs, but this is the first wellauthenticated instance of a deluge of rats. An old sailor told us the other day that, on board an Indiaman under his command, the crew used to put a box on deck with

some rice under it, supported by a piece o bamboo round which a string was tied they would hold the end of the string in this very primitive trap: they caught dozens in this way. When the cargo was taken out some thousands of rats were seen running about in all directions. The owners of all the Atlantic steamers employ a regular rateatcher every time the vessel comes into port, and the number killed is fabulous. At sea they are sometimes destroyed by polson, but the remedy is worse than the disease, as they will creep into their holes to die, and their decomposing bodies will cause men literally to "smell a rat," and the result will be the rankest compound of At first he only made verses by way of | villainous smells that ever offended nostrils.

going over to the opposite side is invariably said to be ratting, and this is deservedly have heard it said they are vermin, and held to be the worst species of political therefore can't be good. What an absurd be inserted, as they are as indispensable to crime of which a public man can be guilty. argument! for what's in a name? Not only is it quite possible that rats have not fire to many ships by carrying lighted candles, but it is a well-known fact that on shore many houses have been burnt owing to their nibbling at boxes of luvifer matches, and thus setting them on light; this is given in the returns as to the causes of fires in the metropolis. The brown rat, which Before the steamer arrived, the man at the they have caused the foundering of many is now the prevailing species in England, frequently makes sewers or drains his principal haunts, and, by devouring putrefying did not ask any of the 476 men whether as to leave very little for the straining of substances, contributes materially to cleanliness and health. In the sewers both of

scavengers for man in cases where he cannot or will not play it for himself, and prove the truth of the lines of Shakespeare—

" For haught so vile that on the earth doth live

But to the earth some special good doth give." But, although on shore they are thus extremely useful, it may at first sight appear rather difficult to name any possible benefit that can be derived from them on board ship. No doubt they are a grea nuisance, and their absence would be far preferable to their company, but, as it impossible to keep them away, the question naturally arises, can we not turn them to some account and the chief object of the present article is to suggest a possible means of doing this, and we therefore boldly ask the somewhat startling question, why not eat them? and echo answers why not? Perhaps this proposal may alarm some timid minds, but on calm consideration it will be seen that there is no possible reason why rats should not make very excellent foot, and that nothing but prejudice stands in the way of their being thus utilised. There is a well-known anecdote of a Frenchman, who was one day remonstrating with an Englishman for his scorn of French beef. "I have been two times in England," he said, "but I navère find the bif supériéur to ours. find it vary conveenient that they bring it to you on little pieces of stick for one penny, but I do not find the bif supériéur." Englishman, red with astonishment, claimed, "Good God, sir! you have been eating cat's meat." It is true he had been eating cat's-meat, but it was quite evident that it could not have been so bad after all, as he considered it equal to the beef of his

It is well known that rate are eaten as an ordinary dish by many nations-by the South Sea islanders, by many of African tribes, by the Chinese, and even by the French. In China it is a common custom for the natives to come on board a ship entering harbour and give a few dollars for permission to catch rats for the purpose of eating them. They split them up, salt and cure them like berrings, and they may be seen hanging up to dry in the stern sheets of their boats. During the siege of Paris no less than 80,000 horses were consumed, and at last dogs, cats, and rats were made use of. Cats were publicly sold at six francs each, and dogs at eight francs. What rate were quoted at is not stated, but they fetched their price. following is said to have been the menu of a diner de siege given by the Paris Jockey It was entrusted to the famous epicure, the Baron Brisse, and consisted of

the following items:--First course.—Soup of slightly salted horse with vegetables; ass flesh cutlets with carrots; mule's hier sauté aux champignons; horses lights, with white sauce; carpe à la matelotte; fried gudgeons; celery heads with seasoning.

Second course.—Quarter of a dog braised; leg of a dog roasted; rate cooked upon the ashes; rat pie with mushrooms. Dessert.—Dutch cheese, apples, pears, marmalade au Kersh, gateau d'Italie, au

fromage de Chester. The banquet, which was served in one of the principal establishments of the Chaus-

sée d'Antin, is stated to have been a com-

The chief objection that may be urged over scrupulous in this respect on land, and sion, firemen, trimmers, cooks, and stewards, when compelled by stern necessity, will, as well as other members of the miscellaneous like their betters, devour anything that crowd which go to form the crew of a modern comes before them; but it must be re- "leviathan" of the deep? In the preliminary membered that they do this because they clause (2nd Section) of the Merchant Shipcannot help themselves, "their poverty and ping Act of 1854, the term "seamen" is not their will consents." If the opportunity, explained to mean "any persons serving, or be given them they are as fastidious in bound to serve, on board a British ship, their tastes as aldermen at Lord Mayor's except the master, pilot, and apprentices. banquet. Belonging to the same natural But in the 149th Section of the same Act order as squirrels, rabbits, and hares—viz., the term "sailors" is imported, and it is the rodentia, they were evidently intended made imperative on masters of ships, under by nature to be vegetarians, and although, that clause, in framing their agreements, to as a matter of fact, they are omnivorous specify the number of "sailors" forming the animals, and occasionally indulge in animal crew. This is all very nice, and goes to food not altogether in the best state of protect both master and man in case there is preservation, it is merely because they have a dispute afterwards, as to the number of only Hobson's choice in the matter, and such persons required to navigate the craft. can't get anything better. Yet are they no But then arises the question: What is a greater offenders in this respect than pigs sailor? Is he a seaman, or is a seaman a or ducks, who are well known as very foul sailor? There is no interpretation clause, feeders (pigs will eat any filth that is given | unfortunately, and every master must therethem, and will not refuse human flesh), and fore be a "law unto himself" in this matter. are nevertheless highly esteemed in most | Doubtless, the paucity of steamers existing civilized communities. Pheasants, fowls, at the time the first modern Mercantile and game of all descriptions are fond of Marine Act (1850) was passed, was the worms, maggots, and other insects, and cause of this important point being overlookthen, should the unfortunate rats be alone matter to say that the word "seaman" is a visited with contumely and rejected with legal term for the purpose of administering scorn and contempt? There is certainly | the penal sections of the Act; and that the one practical and not altogether sentimental phrase "sailor" has a technical meaning, objection that may be urged against sewer | showing the persons who should navigate the rats-viz., that they are liable to become ship. But, unhappily, common sense is a the host of parasites. Thus, there is an rare gift, not always possessed by the "great hydatid, the lysticerous fasciolaris, met with unpaid"; and hence misconstruction is apt to Everyone knows that many superstitious in the liver of rats and mice, which is in arise, in the absence of a clear explanation. sailors believe that rats will always leave a fact a stray tapeworm, the Toema cras. In steamboats this difficulty often arises. ship which is destined to founder. Now, sicolis of the cat become vesicular, and "Sailor" is a technical term—so is engineer. there is no doubt that rats will leave a which may, unless its vitality be destroyed. If the word "seaman" should include an sinking thip; they have been seen to do so develop into a tapeworm in the animal engineer for legal purposes, why should not by walking along the rope which fastened feeding upon it. Still we are all liable to "sailor" include him for technical purposes: the ship to the shore, and also by swimming, Contract tapeworm from measiy pork and Cateris paribus it ought. At the same time but they only do this when the water has beef, and the liability may be easily obviat. It is obvious to common sense that engineer absolutely forced them from every other ed in all these cases by well cooking the or fireman are not synonymous terms with place. In the same way, it is said, that meat. If the temperature be raised to sailor. The sailor is the tenant of the sailing they always quit a falling house; but this 140° Fahr., it will ensure absolute extino. ship more especially, and the fireman that of popular saying is founded on the obvious tion of life in these parasites, and this the steamer. The former "steers," "reefs," fact that when houses become old and temperature is always exceeded in meat and "hands" the ship and her equipments; tottering they are abandoned by human that may be considered well done. It is the latter merely shovels coals into a hole. beings, and then the rate, finding no longer only by eating underdone and nearly raw At the same time it must be borne in mind their usual subsistence, quit the tenement flesh that tapeworm is ever developed in that in a court of law, with a sharp attorney also. Both these superstitions are thus the human subject. But even if there be handling a "case," common sense is frefounded on fact, but that rate have any any rational reason in this objection, it quently non-suited, and hence the necessity foreknowledge of the future and possess the does not apply to the sentaring branch of for the legal phraseology of the statutes wonderful gifts attributed to so-called the species. On board ship their food is of being of the clearest and most unambiguous spiritual mediums or clairvoyants, we are the most luxurious and cleanly description; strongly inclined to doubt. It is owing to they garge themselves on good tallow, rice, this notion of rats deserting falling houses grain; and cheese; and there is no earthly and sinking ships that a percon shifting reason why they should not be as healthy, from one party when it is low water and and their flesh of as sound and wholesome of steamers it should be provided that the a nature as that of an on or a cheep.

> "A fowl by any other name would taste as swest, So rate will still retain thet lusclous flavour of their own,

Though they be vertiin called." Again, it is said they are repulsive looking, astonishing how ineffective a fire of musketry and man throws them on one side by a and even Artillery in actual war is at any natural instinct - prejudice again, rank prejudice! For our own part we cannot see anything repulsive-looking about them; of objects. To overcome this, the Indian they are certainly more comely than pige, and not half so nasty looking as ecls. It is well known, moreover, that rats are exceedingly particular (and the same cannot be said of pigs who wallow in the mire) in | tance of any object within a range of three their ablutions, they invertably wash thom. | thousand yards.

stationed at a small gang-way from the they will attack the bungs of casks and their support. Thus it appears that rats, selves all over after eating, just the same create leakage; find out the soft parts of although very annoying and troublesome as a cat does by licking the paws—the sin.

to their charge. Perhaps our readers may say, it is all very well to advocate rats as food in print but the writer would probably be the last person in the world to eat them himself. To this we reply, oh, incredulous reader, "lay not the flattering unction to thy soul," we plead not guilty to the sof impeachment. A few days ago we had six find good conditioned ship's rats made into a pie in the most approved style by an artistic cook, and can assure our readers that it was most delicious. The flesh was about the same colour as that of a pigeon, and combined the delicacy and tenderness of a rabbit, with the somewhat higher and more matured flavour of a hare, and we are persuaded that if it had been placed on the supper table at a ball, the guests would have considered it a first-rate game pie. A distinguished retired naval commander, above the common prejudices of his kind, likewise partook of it, and pronounced it very good, and said he could make a hearty lunch of it. We gave the fragments that remained to a porter with a limited income and an unlimited family, and he was very grateful for the offering, and said he would like such a dinner every day. What his wrath would be did he know the contents. imagination shudders to contemplate! We know a master mariner who always has a rat for breakfast every morning at sea, and prefers it to anything else—he generally has it roasted. No doubt they would make remarkably good curry, and we should say that rat soup would be quite equal to hare

It is well known that sourvy is caused in a great measure, by the too exclusive use of salt meat, and that where there is no fresh meat or vegetables given, it is often impossible to prevent its occurrence, in spite of the daily issue of lime juice. This is, therefore, another reason why fresh rats would be a most important adjunct to the diet of sailors on long voyages; they would act as valuable antiscorbutics, and we cannot help thinking that, if the unreasoning antipathy at present felt could only be surmounted, the British sailor would infinitely prefer them to the hard salt beef which at present so severely taxes his digestive powers and wears away his teeth. For our own part, if our choice were limited to a piece of salt junk and a dish of good fat ship's rats nicely cooked, we should not hesitate for a moment, but should prefer the rats a thousand times over. We fear, however, that prejudice, superstition, and false sentiment has at present taken too deep a root in the minds both of landsmen and sailors to be easily eradicated, and that their tastes will require a considerable amount of educating before they will look at the matter through our spectacles, and be guided by the light of reason alone. Still, there is hope in the future when we remember the past. Tea and potatoes were long rejected, and the latter, Montaigne tells us. excited l'etonnement et le dégout; they have, nevertheless, become European food, and are now considered almost necessaries of life.

WHAT IS A SAILOR?

L.R.C.P., London.

Masters of vessels, especially steamers, are frequently puzzled to construe the term "sailors," which appears in the usual printed form of agreement. Does it mean to include But the river, never minding, still is windagainst rats as an article of diet is the "O.S." as well as "A.B." and does it also ing, still is winding, nature of their food; they are certainly not | contain within the limits of its comprehen- | By the gardens where the Mongol tends the their flavour is improved thereby; why, ed. It seems a common-sense view of the SALTPETRE, ... 6 a 6.60 character. It seems reasonable now, when a new Shipping Act is in embryo, to have this matter put on a safe basis. The term "sailor" should be defined; and in the case

> In these days of arms of precision it is distance. The main cause of this is the difficulty of judging the range or distance papers state that Surgeon-Major J. C. Ameabury of the 6th Bengal Light Infantry is the inventor of a range-finder which can be carried in the pocket, and gives the dis-

agreement with the crew contains a place

for the number of engineers and firemen to

the safe navigation of the steamer as the

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"sailor" is to that of the sailing ship .-

"BY ANY OTHER NAME!" On an evening ramble lately, as I wandered on sedately. Linking curious fancies, modern, medieval, and antique,-

Suddenly the sun descended, and a radiance ruby-splendid. With the gleam of water blended, thrilled my sensitive physique,-Thrilled me, filled me with emotion to the tips of my physique,

Fired my eye, and flushed my cheek. Heeding not where I was going, I had wandered, all unknowing, Where a river gently flowing caught the radiant ruby-streak And this new-found stream beguiling my sedateness into smiling. Set me classically styling it with Latin names and Greek. Names Idalian and Castalian such as lovers

Roll like gulds within their cheek.

of the Greek

On its marge was many a burrow, many a mound, and many a furrow. Where the fessickers of fortune play at Nature's hide-and-seek : And instead of bridge to span it, there were stepping-stones of granite. And where'er the river ran, it seemed of hidden wealth to speak. Presently my soul grew stronger, and I, too, was fain to speak :---

I assumed a pose plastique. "Stream," said, I, "I'll celebrate thee! Rhymes and rhythms galore await thee! In the weekly 'poet's corner' I'll a nighe for thee bespeak :

But to aid my lucubration, thou must tell thine appellation. Tell thy Nalad-designation—for the journal. of next week-Give thy sweet Pactolian title to my poem

of next week. Whisper, whisper it—in Greek!"

But the river gave no token, and the name remained unspoken, Though I kept apostrophising till my voice became a shriek :--When there hove in sight the figure of a homeward-veering digger,

Looming big, and looming bigger, and ejecting clouds of reek-In fuliginous advance emitting clouds of noisome reek From a tube beneath his beak.

"Neighbour mine," said I, "and miner," -here I showed a silver shiner-"For a moment, and for sixpence, take thy pipe from out thy check. This the guerdon of thy fame is; very cheap indeed the same is:

Tell me only what the name is-('tis the stream whereof I speak)— Name the Naiad-name Pactolian | Digger. I adjure thee, speak!"

Quoth the digger, "QUART POT CREEK.", Oh, Poli Edepoli Mecastori Oh most luckless poetaster went home a trifle faster, in a twitter of a For we cannot help agreeing that no living

rhyming being Ever yet was cursed with seeing, in his poem for the week. Brook or river made immortal in his poem

for the week. With such name as "Quart Pot Creek!"

cabbage and the leek ; And the ruby-radiance nightly touches it with farewell lightly. But the name sticks to it tightly, - and this sensitive physique.

The already-mentioned (vide supra) sensitive physiqe. Shudders still at "Quart Pot Creek!" -J. Brunton Stephens.

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Quall,

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Codfish, Salt,

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Eels, Congor

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Mullet,

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Rock Bish.

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Shrimps,

Snapper,

Snipe Fish,

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Green Paraley, Chinese, English, bunch catty Californian. 12 10 Sweet. 190 180 Pumpkins. Radishes, Scallions, Shalots. Sesamum.

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